

**Minutes of the
Mid-Wisconsin Federated Library System
Board of Trustees Meeting
Tuesday, May 29, 2012**

The regular meeting of the MWFLS Board of Trustees was called to order at 6:03 p.m. at Mid-Wisconsin Federated Library System, 112 Clinton Street, Horicon, Wisconsin. Ruth Schmitt presiding. Ruth Schmitt welcomed Trustees, Staff, and Librarians.

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT: Deborah Bissonnette, Jane Colwin, J. Loren Gray, Helen Heinrich, Gary Morgenstern, Dwayne Morris (arrived 6:09), Janet Negus, Ruth Schmitt, Beverly Schroeder, Juanita Schultz, Dan Stoffel, Alice Ventura.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Paul Marose

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Polly Edgar

OTHERS PRESENT: Walter Burkhalter, MWFLS Director; Sue Cantrell, Director of West Bend; Jennifer Einwalter, Director of Slinger; Mike Gelhausen, Director of Hartford Public Library, Candy Graulich, Director of Hustisford; Jackie Jacak, MWFLS Business Manager; Connie Meyer, Director of Fort Atkinson; Steve Platteter, MWFLS Automation Services Librarian.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Helen Heinrich and seconded by Alice Ventura to approve the March 27, 2012 minutes. Motion carried by voice vote, all in favor.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

A motion was made by Dan Stoffel and seconded by Beverly Schroeder to approve payment of March/April Computer Checks in the amount of \$176,938.35, Manual Checks in the amount of \$749.96, and Director requested reimbursement of \$240.87, for a total of \$177,929.18. Motion carried by roll call vote, all in favor.

**OPERATIONS REPORTS
Director's Report**

- Walter Burkhalter thanked the board for his time of service.

Director's Council

- No further information was provided.

NEW BUSINESS MWFLS Website

- Jackie Jacak presented the board with the new MWFLS website.

Resignation of Director and Next Steps

Walter noted that several systems in Southeastern Wisconsin have director vacancies and the State is suggesting single county systems investigate merging with other systems. Dwayne Morris suggested forming an ad hoc committee to discuss merging. Dan Stoffel noted that he felt a System Director should be in place prior to discussing mergers. The overall board felt merging was not an option at this time and would like to pursue hiring a new director. Once a permanent director is in place, merging discussion could be investigated further. The board would like to hire an interim director, which can help in the hiring process of a new director. After a lengthy discussion, the board decided that the Personnel Committee should meet in June and bring their recommendations to the full board at a special June meeting.

It was moved by Dwayne Morris and seconded by Alice Ventura that MWFLS accept Walter Burkhalter's resignation. Motion carried by voice vote, all in favor.

ADOPT NEXT MEETING DATE & ADJOURNMENT

Walter Burkhalter noted he would be available to attend the June board meeting if needed.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, June 26, 2012 at 6:00p.m at Mid-Wisconsin Federated Library System, 112 Clinton Street, Horicon, Wisconsin.

Ruth Schmitt, Board President, adjourned the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jackie Jacak, Recording Secretary